

The Department of English at the University of Colorado, Colorado Springs is pleased to announce
The Annual Rubin-Dorsky Essay Prize in American Literature

The Rubin-Dorsky Essay Prize is designed to recognize the best student essays in American literature. These essays will celebrate the illuminative power of literary analysis, broadly conceived. In the 2017 – 2018 academic year, a minimum of no awards and a maximum of one (1) award will be given to acknowledge the finest undergraduate student efforts in this wide-ranging and comprehensive field of literary study. The winner(s) will be honored at the spring 2018 UCCS Letters, Arts and Sciences (LAS) Awards Ceremony on Wednesday 2 May, commencing at 4:00p.m. In addition to receiving a certificate from the English Department acknowledging the award, one winner will be given a prize of \$75.00.

Eligibility: Undergraduate students must be currently enrolled or have been enrolled at UCCS for at least part (if not all) of the 2009 – 2010 academic year. Only **one** (1) entry per student will be accepted. The student’s name should not appear anywhere on the essay itself—it should appear only on the Entry Form. Please include page numbers, as well the title of the essay, on both the Entry Form and on the essay. Previous winners are not eligible.

Entry Forms: Forms are available outside the English Department Office (Columbine 1025F) or from the English Department website: <http://www.uccs.edu/~english>. If you have questions about the Rubin-Dorsky Essay Prize, please contact Dr. Katherine Mack, Chair, Department of English, 719-255-4004, kmack@uccs.edu.

Requirements for Submission:

- Must be a literary analysis focused on American literature.
- An Entry Form must be submitted with the essay.
- No names or identifying markers should be on the essay.
- The essay should be clean and unmarked.
- The essay should use standard 12-point font and one-inch margins.
- Please include page numbers and a title on the essay itself and on the Entry Form.
- Previous winners are not eligible

The Rubin-Dorsky Prize was created in honor of Jeffrey Rubin-Dorsky, who served as a Professor in the English Department at UCCS for twenty years, where he taught American literature, ethnic literatures, women’s writing, and global literatures. Professor Rubin-Dorsky is the author of *Adrift in the Old World: The Psychological Pilgrimage of Washington Irving* (1988) and is the coeditor of *People of the Book: Thirty Scholars Reflect on their Jewish Identity* (1996). He published extensively on writer Philip Roth, filmmaker Woody Allen, and the theme of Jewish identity in literature before retiring from UCCS in 2008.

All entries must be submitted to Ms. Rose Johnson in the English Department Office (Columbine 1025F) no later than 3:30p.m. on Wednesday, March 7th 2018 for consideration.